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'Wild Bill' Wilson keeping time with his maracas at the Fort Erie Music Fest last Saturday, while Polyester Groove performs in the background. For more on the event, go to page 12.

Supervisor for NHS

Kris Dubé
The Times

Health Minister Deb Matthews will appoint a supervisor for the Niagara Health System (NHS), saying a lack of public confidence in the company that manages Niagara's hospitals made the move necessary.

"I can't ignore the fact that a very large segment of the public has lost necessary confidence in this hospital's administration," Matthews said in a press release issued this week.

The statement said Matthews notified the Niagara Health System of her intent to recommend a supervisor be appointed.

It's a move the provincial government can take when it has concerns about the way hospitals are being managed.

The unusual step means a supervisor will step in to oversee the NHS, but that supervisor will report directly to the Niagara Health System.

"To make sure that NHS is on the right track, I think it's important that there is a leader within the hospital system who reports directly to me."

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Kim Craitor MPP
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Craitor satisfied with minsiter's decision to bring in supervisor

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The NHS's interim president and chief executive officer Dr. Sue Matthews provided a statement earlier this week about the recent announcement.

"The NHS will continue working collaboratively to restore community confidence and to end the infectious disease outbreaks in our facilities," she wrote in statement.

"We thank our staff for their hard work to combat hospital-acquired infection and for their dedication to those we serve," she added.

Niagara Falls MPP Kim Craitor has been critical of the NHS during most of his time as this riding's representative at Queen's Park, and is satisfied the health minister has made this recent decision.

"It's about what the public feels. They have huge concerns and have lost faith in the NHS," he said.

With a provincial election waiting only a month and a half away, Craitor says some critics might say the timing of bringing this forward is a way to get votes.

He takes exception to that and feels people should realize he has been a part of this fight, long before he decided to run for a third term.

"For anyone who says that, look at my track record. I've been consistent," he said.

The Ontario ombudsman will also now be able to field complaints over the hospital system, once the supervisor is appointed and takes over for its current board.

Health Coalitions holding public input consultations in Niagara

The Ontario and Niagara Health Coalitions are holding public consultations across the region to obtain public input, which will supplement research to culminate in a report evaluating the Hospital Improvement Plan.

In addition to assessing hospital restructuring in Niagara, the report will look at access to and the quality of care Niagara residents have available to them.

"It is crucial that an evaluation of the hospital restructuring and access to care issues be made public during the provincial election campaign. Niagara residents need to hear from all political parties about how they intend to deal with the very significant access to care and quality of care issues in Niagara," said Sue Hotte, Niagara Health Coalition co-chair.

Natalie Mehra, director of the Ontario Health Coalition, also provided comments in a press release.

"Now is the time when we can make a real difference. These public consultations are a democratic opportunity for the people of Niagara to give input and help to raise they key health care issues leading to the Oct. 6 provincial election," she said.

The consultation in Fort Erie will be held on Thurs. Aug. 25 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the Royal Canadian Legion, Br. 71.

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Pink fashions at beach today

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International model, Kimberly Edwards is the founder of the fashion show, which donates all of its proceeds to breast cancer research. Her goal is to make it a reality for breast cancer patients to be survivors.

"Last year, we held the show in Hamilton and it was a great success. I decided I wanted to bring it a little closer to home. Part of the show is to celebrate survivors — the inspiration for the show came from my mother who is a five- year breast cancer survivor. All of the outfits will be pink in support of breast cancer research."

The show, in partnership with the Crystal Beach Business Improvement Area, will bring many people to the beach for an all-day event filled with fashion and music including Daniel Panetta, Karl Wolf and Chris Lago.

Special guest speakers include Dr. Martin Jugenburg, who specializes in breast reconstruction.

"The beach is such a unique and different event and lots of people are excited about the beautiful backdrop that Lake Erie will provide. What better way to have a fun time than to have a beach party?"

Edwards is inviting everyone to come out and support a good cause which she says is near and dear to her heart on Aug. 20.

"Admission is free and donations will be accepted. It's going to be a fun day."

The day's events run from 11 a.m. To 8 p.m. For more information visit livingpink.info.

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Magical evening in Ridgeway to benefit Autism research

Kris Dubé
The Times

Anthony Lindan will be working his magic next week, to raise money for a worthy cause.

The Ridgeway resident and three other professional magicians will be at Ridgeway's Restaurant on Monday Aug. 22, holding a fundraiser for Ontario Autism's Niagara Chapter, in what he described as a "close-up" magic show.

He will be joined by Bill Abbott from Toronto, Shaun Fergus from Welland and Alex Kazam from St. Catharines.

The event is titled 'Magic for Autism.'

Patrons will be able to dine and drink like they normally would at the local establishment, but will be entertained by the four tricksters as they do so. There isn't a stage or timed presentations by any of them.

"There isn't really a formal structure," said Lindan.

> **"This is my charity of passion."**
>
> *—Anthony Lindan*

"We're just going to show up and entertain," he added.

Lindan has been active with the local chapter of Autism Ontario, especially since his 12-year-old son Henry lives with the condition.

Therefore, when he offers his service for free, it's usually for this cause.

"This is my charity of passion," he said, when meeting with the Times at the venue this week.

Lindan has performed at many functions, including others that benefit Autism Ontario.

The format of Monday's event is something new he and his friends are giving a try, hoping they can pull a successful night out of the hat.

"If we get some interest in this, we'd like to expand it to restaurants across the region," he said.

Lindan is a local resident but runs his business out of the Greater Toronto Area.

He, along with the other performers will offer a show that will appeal to everyone's tastes. It is directed at an adult crowd, but assured the night will be tasteful and appropriate for all.

"We have a great assortment of styles and material," he said.

Donation boxes will be available and patrons can make voluntary donations. All money raised will benefit the Niagara chapter. The event runs from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

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Ridgeway resident Anthony Lindan and three other magicians will be performing at Ridgeway's Restaurant on Mon. Aug. 22 to benefit Autism Ontario's Niagara branch.

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Town denied standing at Anzovino inquest

Fire Department will still be on-hand to answer questions

Kris Dubé
The Times

The coroner presiding over an inquest into the death of Reilly Anzovino has denied the Town of Fort Erie its request to have standing over the matter.

On Boxing Day 2009, the 18-year-old died in a motor vehicle accident on Hwy. 3 near Nigh Road, very close to the border of Fort Erie and Port Colborne. She was transported to Welland County General Hospital, where she succumbed to her injuries from the collision.

She was a passenger in her friend's car.

Days later, an inquest was called for by local member of provincial of parliament Kim Craitor.

The inquest is expected to investigate if closure of emergency rooms in Fort Erie and Port Colborne played a role in the tragedy.

Jack Stanborough is the coroner who will handle the inquest.

In a letter addressed to the Town of Fort Erie and approved in Monday night's council package, he wrote that there are "no issues anticipated arising from the attendance of Fort Erie firefighters to assist at the scene."

He also said the municipality is "unlikely to be potentially subject to implicit criticism or censure during the inquest."

The Town will most likely be granted limited standing, which mayor Doug Martin said will allow the Fort Erie Fire Department to answer any questions asked of them.

To have standing means authorization to cross-examine all witnesses at the inquest.

Martin said he knew it was a tall order and understands those who have been given this status at the inquest are the most important, like Reilly's parents Tim Anzovino and Denise Kennedy.

"I think it's most important they will be there," said Martin.

The family will be represented by former mayor Wayne Redekop and current NDP candidate in the provincial election.

"We'll do anything we can to help, but they will be well-represented by their legal counsel," said Martin.

Receiving standing at the inquest along with Reilly's parents are Niagara Emergency Medical Services, the Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant Local Health Integration Network, the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care, along with the Niagara Health System.

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Questions about toads continue

Kris Dubé
The Times

The topic of the Fowler's Toad hopped its way into Monday's regular council meeting, once again.

Under new business, Ward 6 Coun. Paul Collard motioned for town staff to include information on the endangered species and invite the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) to attend an open house later this month, to discuss the overall benefit permit applied for by the municipality, in relation to the Crystal Beach Gateway project.

At last week's meeting, the same question was brought up by Ward 5 Coun. Don Lubberts, asking if any information on the toad-related permit would be available at the open forum, which isn't a requirement of the Ontario planning act.

It was explained that it is the responsibility of the ministry to provide information and work toward an approval and isn't the duty of council. The Town is responsible for overseeing the site plan, which is the focus of the open house.

After Collard put the motion up for discussion, mayor Doug Martin re-iterated the response given to the same inquiry last week, given by senior staff.

Council cannot direct the provincial ministry to attend, but can extend an invitation.

"We can certainly invite them if you'd like," said Martin.

Collard said he understands the Fowler's Toad permit and site plan approvals are two different processes, but feels the MNR should feel obliged to participate on Aug. 24 at Town Hall.

"I hope they would be there and available to answer any questions," said Collard.

"This is a key component of the site plan," he added.

Chief administrative officer Harry Schlange responded, mirroring what director of community planning and development Rick Brady said last week.

"We have to recognize it's a separate process," he said, at his final council meeting in Fort Erie.

Council voted in favour of inviting the MNR to the open house.

The overall purpose of the Bay Beach show and tell is to make the community more aware of the controversial 12-storey condo project's design and scope and its site plan.

Ward 4 Coun. John Hill had a question, following council's approval of inviting the MNR.

"Are we going to be discussing and sharing the mitigation of the Fowler's Toads and its impact on the overall plan?"

Dave Heyworth, a senior policy planner with the Town of Fort Erie, responded to Hill's question.

"I think Mr. Brady answered that at the last meeting," he said.

"The actual details of the application is in the hands of the MNR," he continued.

Heyworth did say areas that will be protected because of the toads' presence along the Lake Erie shoreline will be explained at the open house, but not the process of the overall benefit permit, unless the MNR does participate.

Mayor Doug Martin got back into the conversation.

"We're dealing with an open house to let the public view the site plan...that's simply it," he said.

Lubberts persisted with looking for support around the table to include the permit on the list of things to be displayed at the open house.

"This whole piece of property is affected by the development and I think it's important that everybody has all the info," said Lubberts.

"The details of the development are part of the mitigation of the Fowler's Toads," he added.

Martin responded.

"I think we've said this three times now, if the MNR chooses to show up, they can," said Martin.

The open house will be held Aug. 24.

Summer mural

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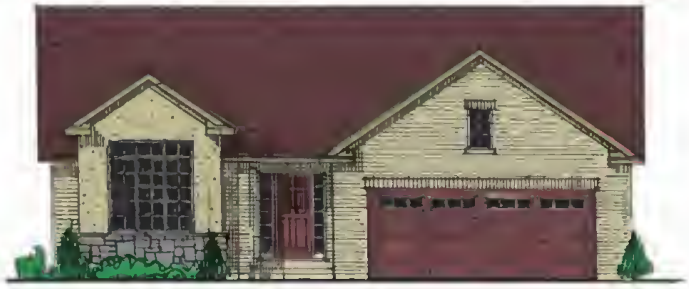

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our editorial

Does Town really need standing at inquest?

There have bee a few comments on social networking sites about the recent decision that the Town of Fort Erie will not have standing at the Anzovino inquest.

Some people are concerned that no members of council even made a peep when a communication item on the issue was approved at Monday's meeting and that is certainly a fair argument.

But to be critical of the coroner presiding over the case for not granting the municipality to cross-examine all the witnesses is difficult for us to agree with.

The Fort Erie Fire Department (FEFD) will still have limited standing, meaning any questions that are asked of them can be answered, since representatives will be present.

We're not really sure what questions the FEFD would have of other parties.

Former mayor Wayne Redekop will represent Reilly's parents at the inquest and to say they are well-equipped in that sense, would be a severe understatement.

Redekop has been passionately critical about health care restructuring in Niagara for years and it's likely he will have several questions that need to be asked.

It's more important that the family gets the answers they deserve over this tragedy, so let's hope they do.

-Kris Dubé

Do You Remember?

A big thank you to Barb Scott Boyer for identifying last week's pboto of tbe Times-Review advertising staff launching their watercraft in the waters off Crystal Beach during tbe 1974 Summer Festival's Bathtub Race.

The team was, from left to rigbt: ad manager Daniel W.T. Barr, Ed Geist, John Young and Jeff Brooks. Although not pictured, Barb, the publisher, shared with us tbat she rode in the bathtub for the event.

The team's bathtub was reportedly highly efficient, but their entry was disqualified as it was horse-drawn rather than buman-powered!

We heard from Michael Byng all the way from Arizona about the previous week's pboto taken during the Fort Erie leg of Rick Hansen's Man in Motion world tour.

He was the young blond lad on the BMX bike to the left of Rick Hansen and the pboto was taken on the Central Avenue Bridge.

In this week's pboto, we have a group of young women in a sandbox.

Can anyone tell us who the young woman are and what they're doing?

Please contact the Fort Erie Historical Museum by phone 905-894-5322 or email, at museum@forterie.on.ca.

An answer that could have prevented repetitive discussion

Kris Dubé
Editor's Notebook

An invited guest for the upcoming open house on the Crystal Beach Gateway Project will not be in attendance.

At Monday's council meeting, local politicians had a lengthy discussion on whether or not the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) would be available to discuss the overall benefit permit applied for by the Town at the meeting.

Council voted in favour of extending an invitation to the party, but due to summer scheduling... they will not be in attendance.

"We're more than willing to participate, the only problem is none of the staff with a connection to this file are available on that day," said Ian Thornton, planning and information management supervisor with the MNR when he spoke to me on Friday morning.

There you go, I found the answer for you.

He also said a separate meeting to discuss the permit and the Fowler's Toads, an endangered species that is a topic at the forefront of this issue right now, is possible...but it's up to the Town and others at the MNR to work that out.

Since there isn't another council meeting before the open house, at least we can be sure it won't come up again...like it has at the last two meetings.

Over the last two weeks, I've heard basically the same question asked about seven or eight times, with the same answer every time around.

I'm not saying that certain councillors who inquired about the MNR's presence at the open house were asking an inappropriate question...because that is hardly the case.

It's a good question and it would be great to have them at the forum because it would make the evening even more informative than it already will be.

But I do get frustrated, when council goes around in circles the way it did the last two meetings, but especially on Monday.

Councillor Collard first put the invite up for discussion and senior staff responded that all council can do is extend an offer. Demanding they attend is not an option because its simply out of the local council's jurisdiction.

It's a separate process from the site plan, which is the focus of the open house on Aug. 24.

After this, two other councillors basically asked the same question and were once again given an identical answer.

This happened two meetings in a row and like I said earlier, over the last two weeks I've heard that response over a half dozen times.

Councillors need to stop going around in circles and accept the fact that sometimes the answer they were hoping for won't always work out the way they were expecting.

Stop asking the same question, especially since I just provided the answer.

I should have put in a call to the MNR after the first meeting and printed this column last week, it probably would have allowed for Monday's meeting to wrap up about an hour-and-a-half earlier.

If you would like to leave me feedback, call me at (905) 871-3100 ext. 207 or send me an email at editorial@forterietimes.com.

opinion page

Stop the insanity, says reader

Dear Editor,

For the past 50 years, approximately 25 of them sitting on our municipal governments, I have envisioned world class developments along the lakefront. A development that would be available to all of the public and not to just a few privileged few.

When the present developers showed up, it is needless to say that I was pleased to see that my dreams would finally be fulfilled.

I sat on the fence for the past while looking at the pros and cons, the good and the bad.

The good points are we would have an attractive building overlooking one of Canada's cleanest ,greatest, picturesque beaches. The landscaping, I am sure would be attractive.

The housing provided would benefit the owners of the condos. The extra taxes would be a benefit.

Then I did some thinking.

I thought of the times when my children were young and we made our annual winter vacations to Florida.

It was beautiful, there is miles of open beaches, ample small 'ma and pa' motels along the water, all kinds of quaint gift shops and an excellent choice for eating establishments.

All of these and the many friends that we made over the years were memorable.

To have things like this available for everybody is what makes life enjoyable and worthwhile.

A few years ago when I lived in Florida, I took a swing over to Indian Rocks Beach, the area where we spent our vacations,

I could not believe what I saw.

Condominiums! Not just one, nor two or three, but miles of them!

No more small motels. No gift shops. No restaurants. Just their skeletons.

There was one lone restaurant-gift shop called the Pablo, still open.

I walked in and saw the owner sitting in a chair with spider webs hanging from his hat. Not a customer in the place.

"What happened to this area?" I asked him. From a live vibrant tourist community to this is unbelievable.

"Let's go outside and I will show you" he said.

When outside, he pointed to all the 12 story condos over looking what was Florida's most beautiful beach, and said "see all those condos? A couple thousand of them. You might see the owners one week out of the year.

The rest of the time they sit there vacant, empty. In the meantime they chased all the tourists out of the area.

The tourist industry is finished."

Thinking about this and how the "Crystal Beach Tennis and Boat Club" with their six weekend visits per summer has had an impact on the tourist industry for the Crystal Beach area, has taken me off the fence and am strongly against the proposed Bay Beach condo development.

Here are some of the bad points in my opinion: with another private lakefront housing development being bought up the wealthy few to be used for a few weekends will not be an asset for any future tourist attraction.

For the future, I can see more no trespassing, private property signs.

The shadow from the high rise will cast a darkness over the residents over three to four blocks.

Is this being fair to the residents affected? No.

With less tourists visiting our area, the possibilities of any future business development would be negatively affected.

With a private housing complex being built there, the chances of attracting any type of building for "public" type of tourist accommodations would be gone.

The comment made by the member of council from Fort Erie stating that the taxes generated by this building would great and not taking advantage of the tax dollars would be financially irresponsible. The fact is that any new tax dollars generated from this development would soon be eaten up with new expenditures. It has always been like that!!

Previous councils made mistakes in the past with former Crystal Beach properties and the Point Abino "Private Property" signs.

Don't make another mistake that will negatively affect our community.

Please stop the insanity now!!

Ted Kassay
Crystal Beach

The TIMES Asks

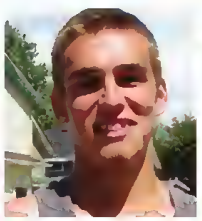
As a beachgoer, what are your thoughts on the Crystal Beach Gateway Project?

Anna Hyzy

"It would be so sad to see the condos built. Crystal Beach has the best beach in Lake Erie."

Charmaine Thibodeau

"I don't think it should come. It would block off access to the beach and nobody could swim or have any fun."



Kevin Lavallee

I'm not a fan of the idea."

Lydia Dinehert

"I've been coming here since I was a kid, it would be sad to see condos."

What do you think?

E–mail: editorial@forterietimes.com or call 905–871–3100, ext. 207

Toad talk but inquest silence

Dear Editor,

Our mayor and council will receive a Brick and no bouquet for callous oversite of the coroners correspondance dated July 25th.

The letter was contained in the correspondance package and received no ackowledgement on Monday night's agenda from any councillor. Pleading ignorance is no excuse because you are supposed to be aware of important issues and when I perused the agenda on the weekend I took the time to alert my councillor to the importance of this issue.

The letter indicated that four nurses, two doctors and the municipalities of Port Colborne and Fort Erie, among others, were to be denied the standing that they had sought at the upcoming inquest for Reilly Anzovino. Ironically the LHIN will be one of only four to be recognized.

Following the tragic accident and subsequent granting of an inquest , all coverage nation wide mentioned the closure of our emergency room. The Anzovino family are only going through this process with the hope that in their loss of Reilly some good might come out of it to benefit all our town.

This was an oversite that council should rectify. Port Colborne has recognized the importance of this Inquest and has lodged an appeal. Do not be complacent. The citizens of Fort Erie expect to be represented to keep the issue of our loss of our ER as a component of the inquest.

Sue Salzer
Fort Erie

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The Honourable Rob Nicholson's Office
Kim Craitor, MPP
Councillors Bob Steckley and Stephen Passero, Master of Ceremonies

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CRITERIA AWARDS 2011

Communities in Bloom is not just about flowers. There are EIGHT CRITERIA AWARDS that lead to a healthy property environment.

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CRITERIA AWARD WINNERS AND JUDGES' COMMENTS

FLORAL DISPLAY –
Peace Bridge Authority
Colourful, neat, well-maintained gardens.

CURB APPEAL –
Kensington Court Neighbourhood
Attractive plantings enhance this co-operative effort.

TIDINESS –
Joseph Curatolo, 29 & 31 Promenades First Class appearance. Good floral co-ordination with recycling using garden plates.

URBAN FORESTRY –
Elmer & Carroll Paterson, 171 Lakewood –
Numerous well-maintained varieties of trees

LANDSCAPED AREA –
Judy Jayson, 214 Windmill PointRd Full marks for perfect gardens & personal creativity

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT –
Crystal Beach Beautification – Outstanding displays of hanging baskets, planters and gardens welcome all.

HERITAGE –
Charles Wallens, 5069 Sherkston Rd Overall design, high standards of maintenance for welcoming appeal

ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS –
Fort Erie Race Track – Recycle everything – water, garbage, paper and waste. Exceptional tidiness and clean-up. Fish in the ponds that also attract wildlife.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

(1)

TOWN OF FORT ERIE PUBLIC NOTICE
SITE PLAN OPEN HOUSE
CRYSTAL BEACH GATEWAY DEVELOPMENT SITE PLAN
(SOUTH BEACH CONDOMINIUMS)

CRYSTAL BEACH GATEWAY

The Town of Fort Erie and the Molinaro Group invite the public to come view the proposed site plan for the Crystal Beach Gateway Development project and associated road works on Erie Road. The Open House will provide the public with accurate and up to date information on the proposed site plan and will include a brief presentation in Council chambers at 8pm by Town staff and members of the technical staff for the applicants.

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For further information on the development proposal, please refer to the Town website at: www.forterie.ca and click on the banner entitled "Crystal Beach Development" You may also contact Community and Development Services staff with questions and comment regarding the proposal at (905) 871-1600 ext 2502.

REQUEST PROPOSAL/QUOTATION/TENDERS

(1)

TENDER - ISF-04-2011

The Corporation of the Town of Fort Erie is inviting proposals to provide:

ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES for
the Design and Construction of Fire Station #2

Sealed proposals clearly marked as to contents will be received by Carolyn Kett, Town Clerk, Municipal Centre, Fort Erie ON until 2:00 p.m. local time on:

WEONESOAY SEPTEMBER 7, 2011

Specific project details and requirements are provided within the bid documents.

Questions concerning this project may be directed to Sean Hutton, Facilities Manager, (905) 871-1600 ext. 2430

Effective February 1, 2011, all Town of Fort Erie's formal competitive bid opportunities, issued by the Purchasing Services Division will be posted on Biddingo.com and organized by commodity. This service will provide businesses with a "one stop shop" for bid opportunities available from the Town of Fort Erie, as well as other organizations using www.biddingo.com/forterie.

The lowest of any tender not necessarily accepted.

Infrastructure Services
Facilities Maintenance

(2)

REQUEST FOR QUOTATION #20-2011

SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF FRIENDSHIP TRAIL SIGNAGE

Sealed submissions clearly marked as to content will be received by Bart Menage, Manager of Purchasing and Finance Services, Town of Fort Erie, 1 Municipal Centre Drive, Fort Erie ON, L2A 2S6 no later than 2:00 p.m. LOCAL TIME on:

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 6 , 2011

Work includes the supply and installation of new signage along the Fort Erie Friendship Trail, and the removal of existing signage.

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If a hard copy is required, documents may be picked up at the Town Hall, Community and Development Services Department, 1 Municipal Centre Drive, Fort Erie, ON L2A 2S6, commencing Monday August 22, 2011.

The Town reserves the right to reject any or all bids as the interests of the Town may require, without stating reasons therefore, and the lowest or any Bid will not necessarily be accepted.

REQUEST PROPOSAL/QUOTATION/TENDER

(3)

MUNICIPAL ACT, 2001
SALE OF LANDS BY PUBLIC TENDER
THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF FORT ERIE

TAKE NOTICE that tenders are invited for the purchase of the land(s) described below and will be received until 3:00 p.m. local time on September 20, 2011 at the Municipal Centre, Clerk's Department, 1 Municipal Centre Drive, Fort Erie, Ontario, L2A 2S6.

The tenders will then be opened in public on the same day at The Municipal Centre, Conference Room 1 at 3:05 p.m.

Description of Land(s)	Minimum Tender Amount $
8IDWELL PKY ES, PLAN 140 LOT 426 IRREG 0.09AC 37.27FR 113.68D, PIN 64467-0102(LT) ROLL NUMBER 2703 020 010 98215	$ 3,042.89
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8AY WOODS NS, CON 8FLE PT LOT 32 PCL 24 ESMT REG 0.33AC 100.00FR 145.00D, PIN 64177-0095(LT) ROLL NUMBER 2703 020 018 19500	$ 4,156.31
8AY WOODS NS, CON 8FLE PT LOT 32 PCL 26 ESMT REG 0.33AC 100.46FR 145.00D, PIN 64177-0095(LT) ROLL NUMBER 2703 020 018 19600	$ 4,156.31
MAPLE AVE SS, PLAN 123 L 181 182 NP463 CORNER 0.22AC 79.83FR 120.40D, PIN 64196-0013 (LT) ROLL NUMBER 2703 020 023 36200	$ 3,081.40
386 RIDGEWAY RD, PLAN 81 PT 8LK AA NP544 REG 0.07AC 56.92F 55.58D, PIN 64186-0039(LT) ROLL NUMBER 2703 030 001 25500	$ 16,149.31
SHANNON CAM8RIDGE, PLAN 27 PT RESERVE LOT G NP375 0.16AC 85.00FR 170.00D, PIN 64181-0204 (LT) ROLL NUM8ER 2703 030 004 01500	$ 5,571.98

Tenders must be submitted in the prescribed form and must be accompanied by a deposit in the form of a money order or of a bank draft or certified cheque by a bank or trust corporation payable to the municipality and representing at least 20 per cent of the tender amount.

Except as follows, the municipality makes no representation regarding the title to or any other matters relating to the land to be sold. Responsibility for ascertaining these matters rests with the potential purchaser.

This sale is governed by the Municipal Act, 2001 and the Municipal Tax Sales Rules made under that Act. The successful purchaser will be required to pay the amount tendered plus accumulated taxes and the relevant land transfer tax and HST if applicable.

The municipality has no obligation to provide vacant possession to the successful purchaser.

For further information regarding this sale and a copy of the prescribed form of tender, contact:

GILLIAN CORNEY
Manager of Revenue & Collections
Municipal Centre Drive
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(905) 871-9984
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Local Elvis back from famous festival

Sarah Ferguson
The Times

Stepping into a pair of blue suede shoes, and strolling onto a stage surrounded by a roaring crowd — it's something Gord McNeil always wanted to do.

The Fort Erie resident, who grew up playing guitar and occasionally singing with his friends, always wondered what performing on a stage felt like.

At Collingwood's annual Elvis Festival, McNeil got his chance as an amateur Elvis Presley impersonator. He says the festival in Collingwood is the biggest Presley festival around, with people coming from all over the world.

"I'm not an Elvis fanatic, but it was something on the bucket list I can scratch off."

When McNeil began practicing for the festival in February, he only knew two of Presley's songs. By the time he hit the stage in July, the amateur impersonator knew 26 songs.

McNeil practiced for the competition alone in his car while he was driving.

"I practiced one hour every day — a half hour to work, and a half hour on the way home from work. I never did it at home."

When he felt a little more comfortable with his voice, McNeil says he played a birthday party at the Maple Lodge Retirement home to gain performing experience.

Before McNeil hit the stage in Collingwood, he noticed the first five competitors who went out before him were wearing jumpsuits made by the same people that made Presley's jumpsuits — he says it was intimidating because he was competing against fellow amateurs.

"Those suits cost around $3,000 while I bought my costume in a store for Mississauga for $300."

On stage, McNeil says his feelings of nervousness went away while he performed "Don't" and "Surrender."

"It was exciting. I thought I would be extremely nervous, but the excitement took over."

Although he didn't win the competition, McNeil says being in the group of top 20 Presley impersonators was good enough for him.

Having a small taste of performing, McNeil says he really enjoyed impersonating Presley — he plans to do again next year.

McNeil is expecting a follow-up package from judges with his scores and comments from the competition to improve on his performance so he will be prepared for next year.

He says he didn't play the right songs for his division and he wants to work on his costume.

"It's definitely a learning process. But, some people told me when they closed their eyes, they thought they were actually listening to Elvis."

McNeil would like to thank Raelyn Boutilier, the recreation director of the Maple Lodge Retirement home for letting him perform. He would also like to thank family and friends who supported him on his journey to the stage.

KRIS DUBÉ Fort Erie Times

Local resident Gord McNeil recently competed in the Collingwood Elvis Festival. Before the competition, he performed for family and friends in his backyard.

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Human resources manager will recruit candidates for top staffer

Kris Dubé
The Times

Instead of seeking a third-party to hire a new chief administrative officer, council has elected to have the Town's human resources department begin the process of finding a replacement.

About three weeks ago, Harry Schlange announced he would be taking another job in Ottawa.

The following week, council chose to appoint director of infrastructure services Ron Tripp as the interim chief administrator.

At Monday's council meeting, local politicians were given two options in a staff report, on what direction to take when replacing Schlange and eventually relieving Tripp of his temporary position.

The first choice was to have Tom Mather, director of human resources to spearhead the recruitment, or to seek a firm that would narrow down contenders for the job.

Considering the Town of Fort Erie is about to be the subject of an operational review, Ward 3 Coun. Bob Steckley said seeking a replacement for the CAO position should be stalled until the review is complete.

> **"Hiring a CAO is one of the most important things, from a personnel standpoint, this council will entertain."**
>
> *— John Hill*
> *Ward 4 Coun.*

"It's possible the job title may change, there could be additional duties," he said.

Ward 4 Coun. John Hill said whatever direction council decides to head in, he hopes it is the proper way to go and all the available channels are explored.

"Hiring a CAO is one of the most important things, from a personnel standpoint, this council will entertain," he said.

Schlange, in his final meeting at the local chambers, assured council Tom Mather is suited for the task of locating potential candidates for the position. Once he provides them with a short list, it is council's decision of who to offer the job to.

"Based on my experience with Tom over the last six years, we've hired some of the best people out there," said Schlange.

For Ward 1 Coun. Stephen Passero, it was an easy decision to support moving ahead with the option that doesn't require paying for another firm's services.

"If we can get something for free, let's start there first," he said.

Ward 6 Coun. Paul Collard agreed with Steckley's opinion, that waiting until the operational review is conducted should be the proper course of action.

"I think taking a little time, getting it right, is important," said Collard.

Ward 2 Coun. Rick Shular agrees that the human resources department at town hall is certainly qualified to seek out a few contestants for the job, which will eventually need council's assessment.

"I think we'd be foolish to not follow this process," he said.

Schlange gives final farewell

Sarah Ferguson
The Times

It's hard to say goodbye.

Harry Schlange, chief administrative officer (CAO) for the Town of Fort Erie, will hang up his hat as CAO for the last time at the end of August.

He sat in on his final council meeting this past Monday.

He began his career in Fort Erie in 2005, which was a transition for him because Schlange spent most of his career working in the private sector. The CAO has had quite a few different executive roles in the global world, including places such as Europe, Asia, and South America.

Because he had never worked in the public sector before coming to Fort Erie, Schlange says he was ready for the challenge and it's an opportunity he was grateful to receive.

"I give a lot of credit to the council that hired me when I first started. At that time, Wayne Redekop was mayor and he said hiring me was an interesting experiment."

Originally from St. Catharines, Schlange was drawn to working in a place like Fort Erie because his heart belonged in the Niagara region.

"I had family here, and Fort Erie just called to me."

Schlange found the role as CAO "extremely broad, from dealing with sewers, to roads, to winter control." There was always a chance to make a difference for people in the community, says Schlange.

With a long list of varying duties, he says working for the Town of Fort Erie was a rewarding experience he will always remember.

"I feel like I am making a difference every day working in Fort Erie, which means more than the services you're providing to the community."

What makes working here in the community different than any other place is its people.

"I have lead teams in over 25 countries. The workforce in Fort Erie is quite unique, all of the employees have a passion and a commitment towards the community."

Schlange is headed to Ottawa to work in the health care industry as vice president of operations.

"I'm very nervous, but I really enjoyed my work here, I never would have had the opportunity to move on without my experience here in Fort Erie.

The CAO is ready to move on to another position to expand his experience in the workforce. Schlange says his main goal is to try and make a difference for another community.

"I believe you should stretch yourself, push yourself to get out of your comfort zone. I have an opportunity to make a difference somewhere else. Health care is the no. 1 issue facing Canadians today."

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Music Fest bigger and better than ever

Sarah Ferguson
The Times

It was another rockin' concert on the beach.

The Fort Erie music fest was bigger and better than expected this year, says festival organizer Lloyd McGuigan.

"All together we had about 500 people in the crowds watching and listening."

It was an afternoon with local talent filling the waterfront with the sounds of free rock and pop music.

"We had 10 bands playing from 1:30 p.m., to 1:30 p.m., and about 15 to 20 volunteers who helped to make the festival possible."

McGuigan says the day could not have been any better because the weather cooperated, the sun was out shining and the concert ran without a glitch.

"Everything went smooth. The day was well-planned out, well organized and all the bands were on time."

McGuigan says the festival is an annual event which brings out hundreds of people to enjoy some good music by talents musicians in the community.

"I believe everybody who came out enjoyed the show and the musicians had a great time on stage."

The event is an annual festival that brings everyone in the community together and what better way to enjoy some music, says McGuigan.

Whether on stage, or just sitting in the crowd, McGuigan says music is something everyone can participate in.

"Even just listening to the music, stomping your foot and clapping your hands."

The festival is also a great way to give musicians in the community a venue to play, which they might not otherwise have, McGuigan says.

He would like to thank all of the sponsors who helped to make the show possible.

KRIS DUBE The Times

Katrina Cabana performed vocals as Nick McGuigan strummed some accoustic melodies for the crowd who came out to the Fort Erie Music Fest last Saturday afternoon at Waterfront Park in Crystal Beach.

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Chamber hands out annual student bursaries

Greater Fort Erie Chamber of Commerce presdent Stephen Passero, left, with Alannah Aliberti (FESS), Jessica Fickel (FESS), Alexander Foreman (FESS), Drew Hampel (RCBHS), Kelsey Kett (Lakeshore), Victoria Sefarini (RCBHS), Lee Van Brussel (FESS), and Jessica Wallace (Lakeshore), who are this year's recipients of a bursary fund handed out annualy by the Chamber.

The Greater Fort Erie Chamber of Commerce, in keeping with its mission to promote education, was pleased to present local students with $500 bursary cheques last Sunday at Bridgewater Country Club.

The Chamber's Bursary committee reviewed more than 25 applications and with generous financial contributions from Erie Personnel Corporation, Dean Demizio State Farm Insurance, Canadian Tire, and Meridian Credit Union, it was able to offer an additional five bursaries this year.

Recipients of this year's awards are Meagan Winger (FESS), Danielle Murphy (RCBHS), Jenna Holmes (RCBHS), Zachary Konings (Lakeshore), Kayla Glen (Lakeshore), Aleaha Zampaloni (Lakeshore), Cheria Irambona (Lakeshore), Elainey Benner (FESS), and Dylan Day (FESS).

The cheque presentation was held at a special brunch ceremony with family and friends held in honour of the deserving students, was made possible from Table Sponsorships from TD Canada Trust, Meridian Credit Union, Brock University, District School Board of Niagara, Danny DiLorenzo of Lakeshore Catholic High School, Niagara College, the Business Education Council, and Friendship Trail Bed and Breakfast.

Special guests in attendance included MPP Kim Craitor, and Anna Annunziata on behalf of MP Rob Nicholson who presented special recognition certificates and pins to the students.

Bursary applications for 2012 will be available online at the Chamber website early in the new year.

You are invited to
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George Lepp

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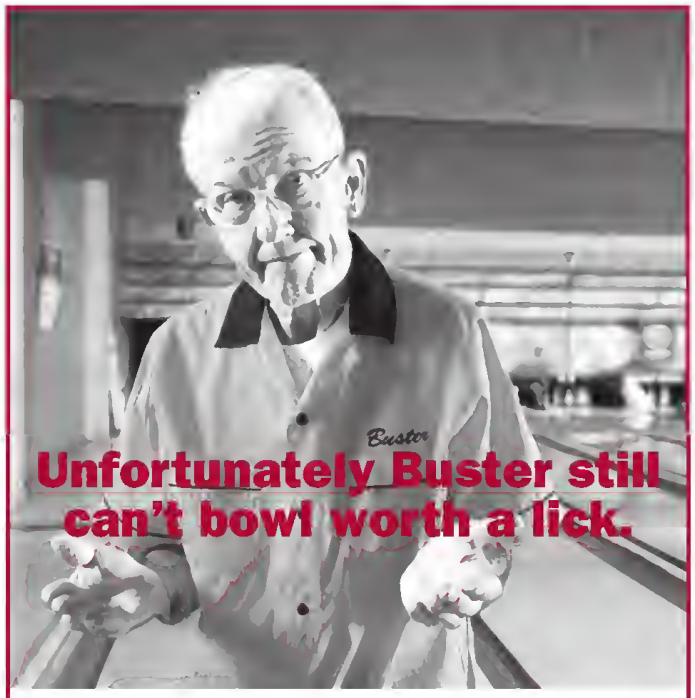

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Backyard tribute

SARAH FERGUSON Fort Erie Times

Wray Robbins, a veteran of the Second World War, decided he wanted to remember his childhood friends who gave their lives to ensure the freedom of Canadians. Standing in his backyard, Robbins has built a tribute to Wally Draper and Hughey Stewart who were killed in the war.

Police execute search warrant, seize drugs

Small amount of marijuana and $1,200 worth of cocaine found at home

A local man is facing drug charges, after Niagara Regional Police officers executed a search warrant at his home.

On Thursday, members of the no. 5 district criminal investigations branch and uniform officers, with the assistance of the emergency task unit, executed a controlled drugs and substances act search warrant at a local residence.

As a result of the search of the home, approximately $1,200 worth of cocaine, a small amount of marijuana and $1600 in currency was seized.

Charged with Possession of Cocaine for the Purpose of Trafficking, Possession of Marijuana, and Possession of Proceeds of Crime is a 59 year old male. He was released from custody on a promise to appear.

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Local girl representing Ontario

Alex Fairgrieve, 17, carries the ball during recent rugby action. She is representing Ontario at the Canadian National Championships in the under-18 division. The tournament wraps up this weekend in Calgary.

Rugby player, Alex Fairgrieve, travels to Calgary to play in the National Championships in the under-18 division.

Kris Dubé
The Times

Soccer was Alex Fairgrieve's game when she entered high school.

She played for the Lakeshore Catholic High School Gators in grade nine and ten, attended camps in the U.S. to sharpen her skills and played outside of school in St. Catharines.

It was a sport she excelled in, until the game of rugby was introduced to her.

Two years after entering her first scrum, she is now representing Ontario at the Canadian National Rugby Championships, in the under-18 division.

The tournament started early this week and finished this weekend and is being held in Calgary.

She is one of 25 players who made the squad, out of an eligible 2,500 in her age group.

Fairgrieve, 17, is also one of the 15 starters and plays a wing position.

Since the only style of play she has been a part of is at the high school level, she admits to being a little bit nervous over what to expect at the national championships.

"This is a lot different than high school rugby and that's all I've ever played," she said.

"The skill is so much higher than what I'm used to."

But , at the same time, she is eager for the next challenge.

"It will be great to see what the other teams are like and how they play in other provinces," she said while meeting with the Times last weekend, along with her proud father George.

For the last few months, Fairgrieve has practiced with the team, but it's never a short trip... traveling all over the province to scrum with the team.

The morale of the team, is something she feels will help them work together as a solid unit at the tournament.

"The girls are really nice, they make you feel like part of the team," she said.

In September, Fairgrieve will attend her first year of university at McMaster in Hamilton, studying social sciences.

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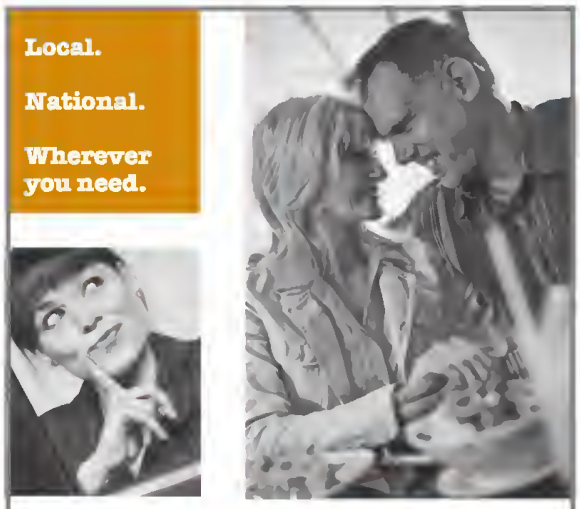

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Deaths

STREET, Kathy Teresa (nee Bartscher) - After a lengthy battle with cancer Kathy passed away peacefully at the Douglas Memorial Hospital on Friday August 12th, 2011 in her 41st year with her family at her side. Loving wife and best friend of Galen. Cherished mother of her son Kelton. Sadly missed by her mother Elaine Bartscher, her mother in law Pat Street. Survived by her brothers Glen (Cathy) of Fort Erie, Gary (Ginny) of Stevensville, Brad of Black Creek and sisters Linda Hudson and Lori Minor (Mike) both of Ridgeway. Predeceasad by her father Glen Bartscher and father in law Booby Donald. Kathy will be missed by her extended family of niaces and nephews as well as her cats Missy and Sasha, and "adopted dad" Bob. Kathy thoroughly anjoyad her career as a picture framer for many years. She also had a natural talent for photography which was one of her passions. But her greatest pleasures in life was raising her dear, precious, little, "Munchkin". Kathy or "Sass" as she was affectionately known as, by her family, had a real zest for life. Her infectious laugh and beautiful smile affected everyone who she ever crossed paths with. She will be sadly missed by everybody she knew. One journey is over my love, and another one has begun. You are now free, so go and run your marathon! **BENNER FUNERAL SERVICES** 1105 Benner Ave Fort Erie entrusted with arrangements. The family received friends on Monday August 15th from 2-4 and 7-9pm. A Celebration of Life was held at 11am on Tuesday in the Benner Funeral Chapel. Donations to Kelton would be appreciated by family.
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Gallagher

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On the mound

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Peewee pitcher Christian Slusarz hurls one over the plate during action between Bill's Toyota and Patterson Chrysler on Wednesday night.

Close finish

KRIS DUBÉ Fort Erie Times

Ridgeway United player Katie Travers goes for the ball during ladies soccer action on Wednesday against West Lincoln. The local team lost the match 4-3 and now sit in second place, wrapping up the regular season this Thursday in St. Catharines.

Meteors hold annual golf tournament

Team honours Jeff Allen, former Junior B. announcer and sports enthusiast, last weekend

Sarah Ferguson
The Times

Despite a few rain drops, friends of Jeff Allen grabbed their golf clubs and headed to the Fort Erie Golf Club.

The Fort Erie Junior B. Meteors held their annual golf tournament this past weekend.

It was in honour of the former Junior B. Meteors announcer, the with half of the proceeds of the tournament going to his family

Allen, who recently passed away after a courageous battle with cancer, taught at Fort Erie Secondary School.

He was a sports enthusiastic who loved the Meteors — he loved playing golf, basketball and baseball, says Tony Passero, the manager of the Meteors.

"Allen never played for the Meteors, but he grew up following the team — he went to all the home games and the travel games."

About five years ago, the team needed an announcer and Allen volunteered.

Although he had never done it before, Allen was passionate about the game and he always tried to make the games exciting, says Passero.

"The golf tournament started off on a bad note — it was cloudy, dark and raining. People kept trickling in thinking that it was going to rain."

But, as the sun poked through the clouds and warmed up the course a bit, golfers were ready for the 1 p.m. shot gun start.

"Everyone had a great time and enjoyed themselves — most importantly, everyone stayed dry."

Golfers were treated to a scrumptious steak dinner, with three kinds of salads and delicious cupcakes for desert.

And an amazing prize table which included $5,000 in prizes, says Passero. "People were really impressed with all of the prizes which were donated to help raise money for the tournament."

Passero would like to thank the volunteers and the sponsors who have helped to make the tournament a success this past weekend.

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Brick

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Bouquet

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To people who share different opinions, but express them in a respectful and educated manner, rather than using innuendos and childish language.

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To all the coaches of minor sports teams. You spend hours of your spare time to help local kids become better people and when other parents sit in the stands and criticize, you should ignore it and realize you are the better person who actually makes an effort to contribute to the community.

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INCLUDES $8,000 CONSUMER CASH,* FREIGHT, AIR TAX, TIRE LEVY AND DMVIC FEE. TAXES EXCLUDED. OTHER RETAILER CHARGES MAY APPLY.*

CANADA'S BEST SELLING MINIVAN AT THE BEST PRICE OF THE YEAR.

36 MPG HWY | 7.9L/100 KM HWY° | 283 HP BEST-IN-CLASS**

OR CHOOSE

THE 2011 DODGE GRAND CARAVAN SXT

CANADA'S BEST SELLING MINIVAN FOR MORE THAN 27 YEARS

- **Industry-Exclusive** 2nd row Super Stow 'n Go® with one-hand operation
- **Segment-Exclusive**■ Stow 'n Place™ roof rack
- 3rd row Stow 'n Go® with **Segment-Exclusive**■ tailgate seating
- Centre front floor console with cupholders
- Deep-tint sunscreen glass
- Body-coloured door handles and bodyside moulding

2011 Dodge Grand Caravan Crew shown.§

CONSUMERS BEST BUY DIGEST

CUSTOMER CHOICE FINANCING

$89 BI-WEEKLY @ 3.99%†† FOR 36 MONTHS AND $4,899 DOWN

WITH THE OPTION TO RETURN AFTER 36 MONTHS

SAVE THE FREIGHT

WHEN YOU PICK UP YOUR NEW ELIGIBLE 2011 DODGE GRAND CARAVAN, YOU PICK UP AN EXTRA $1,400*

RETURNING LEASE CUSTOMERS, GET $3,000 LOYALTY CASH.*

+Your local retailer may charge additional fees for administration/pre-delivery that can range from $0 to $1,098 and anti-theft/safety products that can range from $0 to $1,298. Charges may vary by retailer.

SUMMER DRIVE ONE HOME EVENT

Dodge.ca/Offers

MORE POWER. LESS FUEL. GREAT VALUE.

14 VEHICLES WITH 35 MPG HWY OR BETTER

CHRYSLER Jeep DODGE RAM

SCAN HERE FOR MORE GREAT OFFERS

More Power. Less Fuel. Great Value is a comparison between the entire current Chrysler Canada lineup and the entire 2010 Chrysler Canada lineup. Wise customers read the fine print. ◆, ●, ▶, *, †, §, The Summer Drive One Home Event offers are limited time offers which apply to retail deliveries of selected new and unused models purchased from participating retailers on or after August 3, 2011. Retailer order/trade may be necessary. Offers subject to change and may be extended without notice. See participating retailers for complete details and conditions. ◆Save the Freight discount offer applies to eligible 2011 Grand Caravan SXT, Crew and all Town & Country models offered through Ontario retailers only. Customer must take delivery from participating retailer. Freight ($1,400) is the difference between the Suggested Retail Price (SRP) of the vehicle and the sum of the Consumer Cash Discount (CCD) and the Freight (F). The Freight (F) is the sum of the Freight ($1,400), air tax (if applicable), tire levy and DMVIC fee. Price excludes licence, insurance, registration, any retailer administration fees and other applicable fees and taxes. Retailer order/trade may be necessary. Retailers may sell for less. ▶An extra $1,400 is applied to the purchase price of the Dodge Grand Caravan Canada Value Package (29E) (when $20,000 (including $8,000 Consumer Cash Discount, freight ($1,400), air tax (if applicable), tire levy and DMVIC fee). Price excludes licence, insurance, registration, any retailer administration fees and other applicable fees and charges not included. Retailers may sell for less. See participating retailers for complete details. §2011 Dodge Grand Caravan Crew shown. Price including applicable retailer incentives, which are deducted from the negotiated price before taxes. Amounts vary by vehicle. See your retailer for complete details. †Customer Choice Financing for 36- , 48- and 60-month terms on approved credit through TD Financing Services and Ally Credit Canada is available at participating dealerships to qualified retail customers on select new 2011 Chrysler, Jeep, Dodge and Ram models. **Taxes on the full negotiated purchase price are payable at the beginning of the contract term resulting in higher payments than payments taxed on a periodic basis and are not reflected in advertised payments.** The following terms apply to TD Financing Services contracts: **(Different contract terms apply to Ally Credit Canada offers. See your retailer for complete details.)** Vehicles are financed over a 36 , 48- or 60 month term with payments amortized over a term of up to 96 months and the pre-determined residual balance payable at the end of the contract. At contract's end customers have the choice of returning their vehicle through a Chrysler, Jeep, Dodge, Ram dealership with no further obligations (except payment of a $199 return fee and excess wear and tear, mileage and similar charges), financing the remaining balance for the rest of the amortization period at then current standard rates or paying the residual balance in full. Some conditions apply. Customer Choice Financing offered by TD in Quebec is subject to different terms and conditions. All advertised Customer Choice Financing offers are TD offers. Example: 2011 Dodge Grand Caravan SXT (29E) with a Purchase Price of $22,995 financed at 3.99% APR over 36 months with $4,899 down and payment amortized over 112 months equals 78 bi weekly payments of $89 and one final payment of $13,015 for a cost of borrowing of $1,876 and a total obligation of $24,871.49. Taxes, licence, insurance, registration, excess mileage and wear and tear charges, any retailer administration fees and other applicable fees and charges not included. Retailers may sell for less. See participating retailers for complete details. ■Loyalty Bonus Cash is offered on most new 2011 and 2012 Chrysler, Jeep, Dodge and Ram models (with the exception of 2011/2012 Dodge Caliber Canada Value Package and SE Plus, Grand Caravan Canada Value Package, Grand Caravan Cargo Van, Journey Canada Value Package, Ram 1500 Reg Cab (4x2 & 4x4), Ram Chassis Cab, Jeep Wrangler 2-door Sport, Patriot Sport (4x2 & 4x4) and Compass Sport (4x2 & 4x4)) and is deducted from the negotiated price after taxes. Eligible customers include those that had entered into a new Chrysler, Jeep, Dodge or Ram vehicle Financial, Inc. Lease or Gold Key Lease with a maturity date from August 1st, 2011 and forward. Some conditions apply. See your retailer for complete details. 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